Docket No. 59474.21501 Application No. 09/627,018 Customer No. 30734





IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
Helmut WEBER et al.)
Application No.: 09/627,018)
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Examiner: Michael H. Thaler

For: <u>CONVERTIBLE RONGEUR</u>

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR § 1.116

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed March 29, 2005, to which a response is due without an extension by June 29, 2005, please amend and reconsider the above-identified patent application as follows. Entry of the following amendments and remarks are respectfully requested since they are believed to place the application in condition for allowance or in better condition for appeal and do not raise any new issues requiring further consideration and/or search.

Please reconsider the above-identified patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.